

The Committee of Grievances goe out upon their Charge.
The house Adjournes for halfe an houre.

Original
Journal.

The house again mett & were present as before.

The Committee of Grievances bring in their further Report to the house which being grounded upon the petition & Complainte of Coll Jowles the same being first read did run in these following words Viz^t

To the Hon^{ble} the Lower house of Assembly.

The Humble petition of Coll Henry Jowles
Sheweth

That your petitioner in the month of Aprill last past was sent for by an Ord^r of Governo^r and Councill to make his Immediate appearance before them, there to answer such matters & things as should be Objected ag^t him, where to his great Charge, Expence & trouble, he was forced to wayte & attend ffive dayes before he could know what they had to allegde ag^t him, at last being called to answer, they had nothing to Object ag^t him but a lett^r he had writ to the Hon^{ble} S^r Thomas Laurence upon his being carryed to prison, a Coppy whereof for your Hon^{rs} better Satisfaction is here Enclosed; for w^{ch} Lett^r (though there was nothing in it but what Comon Civillity might Obleidge him or any man to write) he was compelled imediatly to giue them Bond wth good security of a Thousand pds St^{rl} for his good behaviour or Else goe to prison, This y^r pet^r did pforme, & hoped then he might be at quiett but about the 25th of August last past came another Order of Governo^r & Councill to Cap^t John Bigger to Take your pet^r into Custody & him to safe keepe till he finde good security of a Nother Thousand pounds St^{rl} for his good behaviour & to make his personall appeareance at the next provinciall Court there to answer unto such things as should be Objected ag^t him on behalfe of their Maj^{ties} in generall Termes wthout mentioning any particular Matter which ought to haue p. 11
been Incerted, This likewise your Pet^r was Compelled to give, & did give rather then lye in prison, And last of all since the death of the Governo^r upon the 14th day of September Cap^t Keech wth his Lieutenant came to your pet^{rs} house and apprehended him by an Ord^r from Coll Ninian Beale which was in pursuance of an Ord^r of Councill to Carry him to his owne house & clap a safe Guard ouer him (without Expressing one word or tittle for what.) upon which your pet^r utterly refused to yeild any Obedience to it, and by that meanes wth much Truble has made a Shift to preserve his Liberty by keeping out of the way till he might haue the happiness and ffreedom of Addressing himselfe to this hon^{ble} house